

Memorandum

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND

CITY COUNCIL

FROM: James R. Helmer

SUBJECT: PARKING COMPLIANCE

DURING STREET SWEEPING

DATE: 05-25-04

Approved /s/ Date

This memorandum is in response to Vice Mayor Pat Dando's question during the Environment and Utility Services CSA Study Session regarding the cost of providing parking compliance in support of street sweeping services.

The purpose of the citywide street sweeping program is to maintain clean streets and ensure that contaminants such as oil, grease and debris are removed before entering the City's storm water system. The City provides street sweeping services for over 4,000 curb miles of streets.

The Department of Transportation's Parking Compliance Unit is responsible for ensuring compliance of the parking restrictions during street sweeping operations. Residential street sweeping (90 curb miles of signed restrictions) occurs Monday through Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Major street and bikeway sweeping (21 curb miles of signed restrictions) occurs Monday through Friday, 12:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. and central and neighborhood business district sweeping (32 curb miles of signed restrictions) occurs nightly between 12:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m. Because street sweeping activities occur daily at varying times of the day, from one to five Parking Compliance Officers (PCO) are assigned to support street sweeping operations.

In addition to parking compliance during street sweeping, the PCOs provide general parking patrol and compliance citywide and assist with vehicle abatement. Although the PCOs are not grouped by the type of patrol they perform, it is estimated that approximately 2.75 FTE PCOs provide street sweeping related patrol. The cost of staffing, materials, and equipment is estimated at approximately \$200,000 annually. These costs are fully supported by the revenues generated by the citations issued to the vehicles parked during the posted street sweeping hours.

/s/
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Director of Transportation

